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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal		Application Number	10/678,468
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		Family Number	P2002J112 US2

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 CFR § 1.114 is effective on 5/29/2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to 5/29/2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination & Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed Reg 50092 (8/16/2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed Reg 14865 (3/20/2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (4/11/2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on <u>20 August 2007</u> (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Terminal Disclaimer filed on 15 October 2007</u> <u>02/11/2008 PCHOMP 00000034 051330 1067846</u>
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed
i. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <u>02 FC:1801 810.00 DA</u>
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) <u>03 FC:1251 120.00 DA</u>
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
2. Miscellaneous
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to <u>Deposit Account No. 05-1330</u> .
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e): <u>\$810.00</u>
ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17): <u>\$120.00</u>
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

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